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**STUDENT SENATE**

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**S17RS**

**SGR No. 17**

**BY SENATORS MARTIN, IHEDORO, THAPA, BAM, AND LANDRY**

**A RESOLUTION**

**TO URGE AND REQUEST THE UNIVERSITY TO ROLL BACK THE MINIMUM  
HEALTHCARE STANDARDS IMPOSED ON INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS TO  
PREVIOUS LEVELS CONSISTENT WITH THE MINIMUM HEALTHCARE STANDARDS  
REQUIRED BY THE US FEDERAL GOVERNMENT (IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT VISA REQUIREMENTS)**

**PARAGRAPH 1:** WHEREAS, THE UNIVERSITY, ACTING INDEPENDENTLY OF  
FEDERAL LAW, INCREASED THE MINIMUM STANDARD OF  
HEALTH INSURANCE; AND

**PARAGRAPH 2:** WHEREAS, SUCH AN INCREASE IN STANDARDS HAS  
REDUCED THE NUMBER OF PROVIDED AND AVAILABLE  
PLANS TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS; AND

**PARAGRAPH 3:** WHEREAS, THESE PLANS ARE SIGNIFICANTLY MORE  
EXPENSIVE THAN THOSE PLANS PREVIOUSLY OFFERED;  
AND

**PARAGRAPH 4:** WHEREAS, INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ARE LEGALLY  
PROHIBITED FROM WORKING A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF  
HOURS ON CAMPUS OR ANY OUTSIDE THE UNIVERSITY DUE  
TO THEIR VISA REQUIREMENTS; AND

**PARAGRAPH 5:** WHEREAS, ALL INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ARE NOW  
FACED WITH PAYING SIGNIFICANTLY MORE MONEY (SOME  
CASES HAVING COSTS TRIPLE) FOR INSURANCE SUCH THAT  
IN MANY CASES DOES NOT PROVIDE A SUBSTANTIAL  
BENEFIT, AND ONLY A BURDEN; AND

**PARAGRAPH 6:** WHEREAS, THE UNIVERSITY CAN REMEDY THIS SITUATION  
BY SIMPLY NOT ENACTING CHANGES TO THE CURRENT  
POLICY AND KEEPING INTERNATIONAL STUDENT HEALTH  
INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS AT THE FEDERALLY  
MANDATED MINIMUM LEVEL; AND

**PARAGRAPH 7:** THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE  
LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT  
SENATE THAT THE UNIVERSITY URGENTLY RECONSIDER  
THEIR POLICY IN REGARDS TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS  
AND ALLOW THEM TO BUY INSURANCE AT THE FEDERALLY  
MANDATED LEVEL, AND

**PARAGRAPH 8:** BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF  
THIS RESOLUTION BE TRANSMITTED TO F. KING

ALEXANDER, UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT; AND UNIVERSITY  
PROVOST KOUBEK.

**PARAGRAPH 9:** THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE BY  
A SIMPLE MAJORITY (ONE-HALF PLUS ONE) VOTE OF THE  
LSU STUDENT SENATE AND SIGNATURE BY THE  
PRESIDENT, UPON LAPSE OF TIME FOR PRESIDENTIAL  
ACTION, OR IF VETOED BY THE PRESIDENT AND  
SUBSEQUENTLY APPROVED BY THE SENATE, ON THE DATE  
OF SUCH APPROVAL.

**APPROVED:**

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**ALEX DE GRAVELLE**  
**SPEAKER OF THE SENATE**

**DATE:**\_\_\_\_\_

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**ZACHARY A. FAIRCLOTH**  
**STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT**

**DATE:**\_\_\_\_\_